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Dear Sir:

The Applicants hereby offer to surrender the original patent prior to allowance of the subject reissue application.

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